

SCHOOL CHILDREN'S FAIR.

Corvallis People Attend—The Prizes.

In Dallas a school children's fair has been held the past week that has been a pronounced success. It is something new and the idea will no doubt be tried elsewhere. The Oregonian Saturday said:

The Polk County Schoolchildren's Industrial Fair opened here this morning with a large attendance from all parts of the surrounding country. The Dallas College gymnasium, where the fair is being held, was crowded with visitors all day and it is estimated that not less than 2000 people viewed the exhibits.

The competition is strong in all departments, and the judges find it a difficult task to decide upon the relative merits of the displays made by the various schools. The individual exhibits by pupils are also of excellent grade. The exhibits of field and garden products are in the boys' department, and culinary displays, fancy work and flowers in the girls'.

The judges of the horticultural exhibits are C. I. Lewis, State Horticulturalist at the Oregon Agricultural College, and R. R. Routledge, of Portland. The judges in the girls' department are: Miss Snell, professor of household economy at the Oregon Agricultural College, and Miss Ada Starkweather, matron of the Young Women's Christian Association of Portland.

An excellent literary and musical program was given in the pavilion. The principal address was delivered by J. H. Ackerman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who spoke along practical educational lines. Professor Lewis, of Corvallis, and County School Superintendent C. I. Starr also made brief talks.

A \$400 piano heads the list of prizes and will be awarded to the school making the best collective exhibit. Fine Angora goats, sheep and hogs are also included in the list of prizes, the total value of which will aggregate \$1000.

Delightful Affair.

Mrs. J. B. Horner, who has just returned from abroad and whose fame as a hostess is well-known, held a reception at Cauthorn Hall, Thursday afternoon from 2:30 to 5:30, which was one of the most pleasant social events of the season. Mrs. Horner was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Thomas M. Gatch and a committee of young ladies from the Y.W.C.A. the affair being given under the auspices of the latter organization.

The guests included all the college girls, the ladies of the faculty, the members of the advisory committee of the Y.W.C.A. and all the ministers' wives of the city.

The handsome pink dining-room at Cauthorn Hall was beautifully decorated with clematis and sweet peas, the tables being very artistic in arrangement and decoration.

Mrs. Thomas Callahan and Mrs. S. N. Wilkins presided at the tables and served tea and wafers to all. Over three hundred guests enjoyed the afternoon and everyone declares the occasion to have been one of great pleasure.

Opened Its Doors.

The College at Philomath was opened for the year's work, last Wednesday, with appropriate exercises, and a large number of visitors were present to witness the event.

There are three new teachers this year, viz: Prof. J. C. Goodrich, late of Riverside, California; Prof. Greesly of McKeysport, Pa; and Mrs. McConnell of Grants Pass.

The program Wednesday was

as follows: Opening address, by Bishop N. Castle, address of welcome, Prof. O. V. White; reading, Miss Gertrude Johnson; piano duet, Mrs. Gertrude Fisher, Miss Sheak; vocal duet, Mrs. Fisher and Prof. Goodrich.

The outlook for the coming year at Philomath college is very bright and the enrollment is the largest in the history of the institution. There is a full corps of instructors each of whom is thoroughly qualified for his position, and to add value to the college, a normal department has just been organized, in which teachers will receive the same 30 months' credit in final examinations for teachers' certificates that is allowed on the State Normal. Prof. O. V. White, the widely known educator, has been elected dean of the faculty for the year and Prof. J. C. Goodrich will be dean of the Normal. The faculty is as follows:

Prof. J. C. Goodrich, mathematics; Prof. Greesly, Business department; Miss Gertrude Johnson, elocution; Mrs. Ethel White piano; Miss Teresa McDonald, languages; Mrs. McConnell, Art department; Miss Ethel Sheak, vocal department.

SOLD BUG JUICE.

Then Stole It From Buyer—A Sad Tale.

For a "dry" town Corvallis has an occasional experience with "wet" goods that cannot be out done. The latest is a story of a bottle that cost the purchaser a dollar, and later on cost the seller a trial and a fine.

It happened the last of the week. A certain lounge about the streets who is an old land mark in Corvallis, learned that a certain other party who was in town for the day was longing with all his appetite for a drink of something stronger than mountain water. As said lounge has had experiences of the same sort himself, and has usually succeeded in getting the longed-for drink, his heart melted in sympathy for the thirsty wayfarer, and hunting up the traveler the Corvallis jockey propounded the question "Want a drink?" "Jupiter Christmas, I should say so!" fervently ejaculated the thirsty one. "All right gimme a dollar and the bottle is yours," declared the sympathetic one, and securing the dollar the latter hastened away.

Wet goods cannot as everyone knows be had for love nor money in Corvallis, but it seems that in the present case the "craftsmen" was produced according to promise, and taken to a local livery barn where the thirsty one was hitching up his team to go home. The bottle he accepted and placed in the rear of his wagon while he proceeded with the hitching up. And then happened the sad, sad part of this tale.

Having fallen into evil ways and sold liquor in violation of the local option law, the sympathetic one evidently slid rapidly down the incline of wickedness, for he stole softly back behind the wagon, "swiped" the bottle of "rot-gut" and made off.

Completely broken hearted at the wanton betrayal of his faith, and longing still with a terrible longing for a taste of the bug juice, the thirsty one notified the officers and demanded the return of his bottle that had cost him a big, round, shining dollar. Instead of complying with his request, however, the officers, totally ignoring his thirst, proceeded to arrest the sympathetic seller for violating the law, and in Justice Holgate's court Saturday afternoon the trial was held. He was found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of \$50. It is stated an appeal will be taken to the circuit court.

See Zierolf for all kinds of grass seed, orchard, timothy and clover seed.

NO WEEDING BELLS.

And Anxious Guests Wondered Why—"Cabby" Forgot the Number.

Mrs. F. L. Miller has been in Portland the past week, having gone down to attend the wedding of her niece, Miss Grace Simpson, as related in the last issue of the Gazette. Miss Simpson is a cousin of Miss Rose Chipman, of the Gazette force, and is well-known in Corvallis, having visited relatives here frequently in the past. Why the wedding bells did not ring at the appointed time is explained in the Portland Journal, as follows:

The wedding of Miss Grace Simpson and Frederick N. Rathbone was set for 8:30 Wednesday evening at St. David's Episcopal church on the east side. The guests began to file in before 8 o'clock and before the appointed time the auditorium was filled with people whispering admiring the beautiful decorations of fern, Oregon grape and pink roses. The crucial moment approached and nothing happened. People began to draw out their watches to see what time it was. The hands pointed to 8:45. That was rather a long wait. But still they waited. Soon the organist, a friend of the groom, appeared and took his place uneasily. The company sighed a sigh of relief. "Nine o'clock; but they will surely come now for the organist is playing."

All turned expectantly to the door but only an occasional white, worried face could be seen hurrying by the restlessly swinging door. It appeared that the groom had ignominiously deserted the bride at the very altar and she was prostrate with grief and surrounded by anxious friends who feared for her recovery. The watch said, 9:15. Surely there could be no mistake; he had failed to appear. Nine-twenty, 9:25, 9:30; 9:35, and the door slowly opened to admit the bride herself, smiling and radiant. A sigh of relief all over the room sounded like a breath of the south wind.

The cabman had been told to call for Miss May Kelly at her address on Flanders street. With the superior knowledge of cabmen that east side brides cannot have friends on the west side, he called at East Flanders. When the bride's maid failed to appear after a reasonable wait he inquired and found he had the wrong address. He tried the next number, and the next and the next, then started across the street. Then he moved up the street a block. No use. Then he reversed it, and juggled the figures. All to no purpose. Finally he drove to the church and met the frightened bridal party, put Miss Kelly in the right light and hurried to the west side to the corrected address. And in the end the coachman got all the swears coming to him.

Burned Their Hops.

A deplorable disaster befell the hop firm of Alford & Rust near Philomath last Thursday. The gentlemen have leased the old Jerry Henkle hop yard about a mile from Philomath and in four days more would have completed picking, but at 5:30 Thursday morning the hop house and contents was consumed by fire.

It seems that drying hops was progressing nicely, when bricks in the back of the furnace caved in, allowing the flames to sweep into the interior of the building where everything was as dry as tinder, and in a few moments the structure was a roaring conflagration, and nothing could be done to save it.

There were 28000 pounds of dried hops in the house, every ounce being destroyed, and even at ten cents per pound the loss is a heavy one. There was some

insurance but not sufficient to cover the loss.

Messrs. Alford & Rust have the sympathy of the entire county in their trouble, as none but those who have labored and worried for a year to produce a crop can realize what such a calamity means; and coming as it does in the late fall, when the year's accounts are to be settled for winter, it is doubly hard to bear and leaves the victims in "hard lines."

ON THE GRIDIRON.

What is Happening on OAC Field These Days.

About fifty men in the regulation suits are out for practice each evening now at OAC, and the field begins to take on the old familiar look of football activity. The schedule of games is not quite completed and no one knows as yet where and when then games are to be; but be that as it may, a good, husky bunch of "fellows" will be on hand wearing the orange in due time.

Of the old men who have registered and signified an intention to play ball are Pendergrass, Darby, Cherry and Harding, and Finn is to come. Last year Pendergrass and Darby were good men at half back. Cherry with his 220 pounds can hold down center. Finn is discussed for tackle and Harding has had two or three years as end on the second team.

Among the new men are Smith, Teeters, Erskine, Shanoin, Dobbs, Looney, Gonong, Barber, Wolfe and Johnson.

Smith weighs 220 pounds and comes from Burns, Eastern Oregon; Teeters is an Eastern man who has had three years' experience; Erskine weighs 195, comes from Brownsville and promises to make good; Shanoin who has played before with OAC, is here again, weighing 185; Dobbs has considerable of a reputation, and Looney, from Columbia University is doing good work at back field.

Gonong has had experience on the Roseburg High School team and will make a hard run for quarterback; Barber weighs 188 and has played tackle on the Baker City High School team. He is considered a promising man as is also Wolfe, from the Hill Military Academy, Portland, who tips the beam at 190 and has played full back very satisfactorily. Johnson is also a new man of promise, and there are others.

Coach N. S. Norcross arrived Friday noon from Helena, Montana, and reported for practice that afternoon. He played three years at the University of Michigan, the first year as end and half back, the second year as quarter and the third year as quarter and captain. He is a native of Michigan, and is considered an excellent man for the position he is to fill at OAC.

The supply of extra copies of the Sunday Journal was quickly exhausted in Corvallis, Sunday, and twice as many more could easily have been sold. The demand for the Sunday issues is due to the series of articles from the pen of Prof. J. B. Horner that the Journal is now publishing, these articles being descriptive of the tour abroad of Prof. and Mrs. Horner, who have just returned.

Mrs. Brookhardt and daughter, Miss Eva, arrived yesterday morning from Drain for a few days' visit with Mrs. A. Fisher. The former is the mother and the latter the sister, of Mr. Fisher.

Prof. J. B. Horner, of OAC, is contributing a series of articles in the Sunday Journal. These articles are the result of a trip to Palestine and other celebrated points of the old world visited by the professor. Prof. Horner should be congratulated on the attention his articles are attracting. A few minutes after the arrival of the papers in Corvallis, Sunday, it was impossible to secure a Journal.

W. B. Lacy, for 10 years a salesman at the J. H. Harris store, leaves tomorrow for Polk county for a visit with relatives



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before going to Portland to remain. The position that he resigned is to be filled by Ed Looney, who began work yesterday morning.

Miles Starr, Jr., arrived Sunday from Independence where he has been working in the hop yard.

A Badly Burned Girl.

Or boy, man or woman, is quickly out of pain if Bucklen's Arnica Salve is applied promptly. G. A. Welch of Tekonah, Mich., says: "I use it in my family for cuts, sores and all skin injuries, and find it perfect." Quickest Pile cure known. Best healing salve made. 25c at Allen and Woodward's drug store.